

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

~~AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS~~

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Previously Presented): A process for preparation of amorphous donepezil hydrochloride, which comprises:

- a) dissolving donepezil hydrochloride in a mixture of an alcohol and a chlorinated solvent; and
- b) removing the solvents from the solution;

wherein the alcohol is selected from the group consisting of methanol, ethanol, ^{and} isopropyl alcohol, ~~tert-butyl alcohol and n-butyl alcohol~~ and the chlorinated solvent is selected from the group consisting of chloroform, ^{and} methylene dichloride, ~~carbontetrachloride and ethylene dichloride~~.

2. (Previously Presented): A process according to claim 1, wherein the solvents are removed by vacuum drying.

3. (Currently Amended): A process according to claim ~~3~~ 1, wherein the solvents are removed by spray drying.

4. (Currently Amended): A process according to claim ~~3~~ 1, wherein the alcohol is methanol or ethanol and the chlorinated solvent is methylene dichloride or chloroform.

5. (New): A process for preparation of amorphous donepezil hydrochloride, which comprises:

- a) dissolving donepezil hydrochloride in a mixture of an alcohol and a chlorinated solvent; and
- b) removing the solvents from the solution;

wherein the alcohol is selected from the group consisting of methanol and ethanol, and the chlorinated solvent is chloroform.

6. (New): A process according to claim 5, wherein the solvents are removed by vacuum drying.

7. (New): A process according to claim 5, wherein the solvents are removed by spray drying.